

DESCRIPTION OF A NEW *PHASIANELLA* (*P. TOMLINI*) FROM WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

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PHASIANELLA TOMLINI, n.sp.

SHELL small, relatively solid, turbinate; of four whorls, including the smooth protoconch of about one and a half whorls, thence they are spirally ridged, ridges flatly rounded, between them linear grooves, which are finely obliquely striate, giving a punctate appearance. Colour varying from brown to pink radial maculations on a white or pink tinted background, the maculations are mostly divided into radial lines. Aperture round. An umbilical chink is caused by the thickening of the columella.

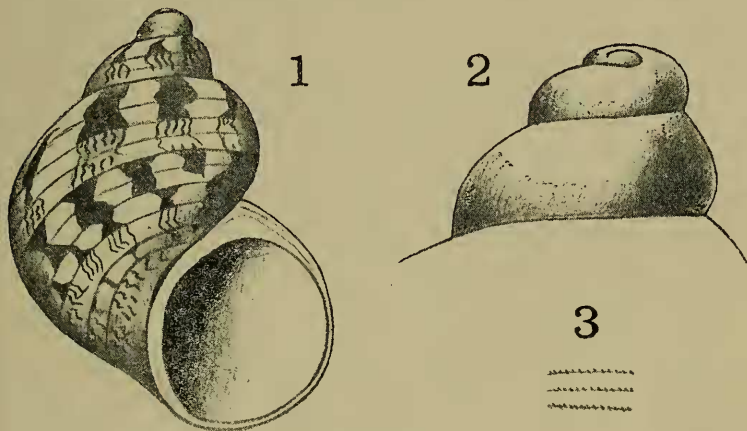


FIG. 1.—*Phasianella tomlini*.
 ,, 2.—Apex of same.
 ,, 3.—Sculpture of grooves on body whorl.

Dimensions :—5·8 × 4·6 mm.

Hab.—West Australia.

Observations.—As is usual in the genus the colour pattern varies greatly. The umbilical chink is not always present. In general habit it is comparable with *P. bicarinata*, Dunker.

Type in J. H. Gatliff's collection, and paratypes given to the British Museum.